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Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" I fear the Government is misinformed. The Research Station is not at all utilizing the tank and the tank is outside the station. Will the Government reconsider this matter? "

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I have my information from the Department of Agriculture and I am not prepared to accept the information that is sought to be furnished by the hon. Member."

Examiners for the S.S.L.C. Examination

* 986 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN (on behalf of Sri T. C. Narayanan Nambiar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any teachers of Elementary Schools are appointed as examiners for the S.S.L.C. Examination; and

(*b*) if not, why?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Midday meals to Harijan pupils

* 987 *Q.*—Sri M. JAGANNATHAN (on behalf of Sri L. Anandan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to provide midday meals to Harijan children in schools other than Labour schools?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN :—" No, Sir."

Harijan peons under the Block Development Officer, Perambalur

* 988 *Q.*—

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri M. Palanimuthu is not in his place. The question and answer will be printed in the proceedings."

Sri M. PALANIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of peons under the Block Development Officer, Perambalur; and

(*b*) how many of them are Harijans?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Eight.

" (*b*) None."